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PRESS RELEASE

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY RICHARD S. HARTUNIAN announced ROBERTO MONTEAGUDO-KALINOWSKI, age 39, of Toronto, Ontario, and DAN CSASZAR, age 37, of Stouffville, Ontario, were sentenced yesterday in Syracuse by United States District Judge Glenn T. Suddaby, to ten months in federal prison, for their convictions for smuggling an illegal alien into the United States from Canada near Champlain, New York. Following their respective terms of incarceration, MONTEAGUDO-KALINOWSKI and CSASZAR will each be placed on supervised release for 2 years.

The sentencing follows the January 28, 2010 convictions after trial of MONTEAGUDO-KALINOWSKI and CSASZAR in which the jury found them each guilty of bringing an illegal alien to the United States and then transporting the illegal alien within the United States.

Evidence presented during the trial showed that MONTEAGUDO-KALINOWSKI and CSASZAR drove together to Champlain Port of Entry and were admitted into the United States at 1:53 a.m. on February 11, 2009. Shortly before arriving at the Port of Entry they dropped off an illegal alien from Cuba who then walked around the Port of Entry thereby avoiding United States customs and immigration inspection. MONTEAGUDO-KALINOWSKI and CSASZAR drove to a truck stop located less than a mile from the border in Champlain, New York, parked, and waited for the alien to meet them. MONTEAGUDO-KALINOWSKI and CSASZAR left the car unlocked and entered the all night restaurant at the truck stop. A United States Border Patrol

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Agent followed tracks the alien left in the snow and found the alien hiding in the car at 2:10 a.m

and arrested him. Follow up investigation revealed that MONTEAGUDO-KALINOWSKI and

CSASZAR were in fact waiting for the alien and were going to take him further south into the

United States.

The investigation was conducted by the United States Border Patrol, Champlain Station.

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